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To: Members of delegations and staff

From: The Assistant Secretary-General for Conference and Support Services

Subject: FIRST DAY OF ISSUE: "50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE UNITED NATIONS" STAMPS AND SOUVENIR SHEETS

COMMEMORATIVE STAMPS

1. On 26 June 1995, the United Nations Postal Administration will issue a set of six commemorative stamps on the theme "50th anniversary of the United Nations" to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the signing of the Charter of the United Nations. The stamps were designed by father and son, Paul and Chris Calle (United States of America). The stamps will be issued in denominations of 32 cents, 50 cents, F.s. 0,60, F.s. 1,80, S 7 and S 10.

(United States equivalents - F.s. 0,60: 56 cents, F.s. 1,80: $1.69, S 7: 79 cents and S 10: $1.13 - subject to exchange-rate fluctuation.)

Denomination: 32 cents F.s. 0,60 S 7

Denomination: 50 cents F.s. 1,80 S 10

SOUVENIR SHEETS

2. Three souvenir sheets will also be released on 26 June 1995 to coincide with the "50th anniversary of the United Nations" issue. The souvenir sheets, also designed by Paul and Chris Calle, will be issued in denominations of 82 cents, F.s. 2,40 and S 17.

(United States equivalents - F.s. 2,40: $2.26 and S 17: $1.93 - subject to exchange-rate fluctuation.)

SAN FRANCISCO CANCELLATION - 26 JUNE 1995

3. The Government of the United States of America has amended the Headquarters Agreement so that the Headquarters district will include, for one day only - 26 June - the United States Post Office at San Francisco, California, solely for the purpose of providing first-day cancellations of the souvenir sheets and commemorative stamps in United States denominations. First-day covers bearing this cancellation will be available from the United Nations Postal Administration sales counters.

GENERAL INFORMATION

4. For the convenience of collectors, the United Nations Postal Administration at Headquarters will provide prepared and cancelled New York, San Francisco, Geneva and Vienna first-day covers on the United Nations Postal Administration official first-day cachets ONLY.

5. Members of delegations and staff may obtain the new stamps, souvenir sheets and first-day cancellations on Monday, 26 June, at the following locations:

(a) The United Nations Postal Administration sales counter in the concourse of the General Assembly Building: 9 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.;

(b) Counter at the north end of the Secretariat lobby from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

6. Staff members are encouraged to use United Nations stamps on their personal mail. By doing so, these miniature messengers of peace can educate unseen thousands of people to the activities and goals of the United Nations.